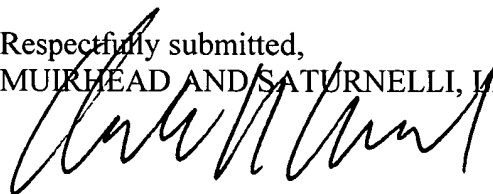


REMARKS

In this preliminary amendment, Applicants have amended the claims as presented in International application No. PCT/EP2005/001397, filed February 11, 2005 (of which the present application is a 371 US National Stage application) and added new claims 50 and 51 to clarify that which Applicants consider to be the invention. Further, Applicants have amended the specification and drawings for purposes of clarification, as noted above. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to the claims and the new claims are fully supported by the originally-filed specification and that the amendments to the specification and drawings do not add new subject matter.

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 508-898-8603.

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